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Soviet Troops in Allentsteig

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REMARKS

This is UNEVALUATED Information

1. about 20 to 30 flatcars were kept ready at each of the Hoetzelendorf Geras (O 49/R 84), Irnfritz (O 49/R 74) and Goepfritz (O 49/R 64) railroad stations. No empty cars were observed at the Allentsteig (O 49/R 53) railroad station which had no ramps suitable for entrainment. 1
2. A unit of about 120 very young soldiers who wore black-bordered red epaulets and were led by 2 officers wearing black-bordered red epaulets marched through Allentsteig toward Edelbach (O 49/R 63). 2
3. Amphibious jeep with a driver wearing red-bordered black epaulets was parked in front of the Allentsteig railroad station. Motor vehicles observed in the town between 1000 and 1300 included van-like motor vehicle and trucks all with drivers wearing red-bordered black epaulets with motor transport insignia, trucks with drivers wearing red-bordered black epaulets, driving-school truck with a driver wearing red-bordered black epaulets and 6 men wearing red-bordered black epaulets, jeeps driving-school truck with a driver wearing red-bordered black epaulets, truck which was occupied by 8 men wearing red-bordered black and black-bordered red epaulets, and driving-school truck which was occupied by an unidentified number of soldiers wearing red-bordered black and black-bordered red epaulets. 3
The sentry who stood guard in front of the komendatura wore black-bordered red epaulets.

1. Comment. The empty cars were kept ready for the shipment of the units which were still at the Doellersheim training grounds back to their stations.
2. Comment. The very young soldiers were possibly recruits who were newly assigned to the 344th Gds How Arty Regt which is stationed at Allentsteig.

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3. Comment. The motor-vehicle mentioned in the present report - in so far as they could be identified - belong to component units of the 13th Gds Mecz Div which are stationed at Vienna, Bruck and Traiskirchen, and component units of the 95th Gds Litz Rifle Div which are stationed at St. Poelten and Eisenstadt. One motor-vehicle belongs to an air force unit which is stationed at Fischau.

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